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THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON
Feb 24, 1961

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE
THE CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
THE DIRECTOR, CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
(INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS)
THE ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
(SPECIAL OPERATIONS)

Brig. Gen. Edward G. Lansdale, USAF, has been designated Assistant to the Secretary of Defense.

His responsibilities will cover the following functional areas:

1. Special Group (NSC 5412) matters.

2. Special Defense activities as approved by the Secretary of Defense.

3. CIA relationships of special interest to the Secretary of Defense.

General Lansdale will perform the following functions in his assigned areas of responsibility:

1. Assist in formulating Defense positions in advance of Special Group (NSC 5412) meetings.

2. Provide post-meeting follow-through after Special Group (NSC 5412) decisions involving Defense.

3. Generate and follow-through on special Defense activities, including the management of the special cold war contingency fund, through existing Defense channels and organizations.

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4. Maintain special liaison with CIA so that guidance can be effected for Defense to work harmoniously on matters relating to CIA's operational activities.

5. Undertake such other duties as directed by the Secretary.

In the performance of his functions, General Lansdale shall:

1. Develop actions, as appropriate, with the military departments and other Department of Defense agencies having collateral or related functions in the field of his assigned responsibility.

2. Maintain active liaison for the exchange of information and advice with the military departments and other Department of Defense agencies.

3. Make full use of established facilities in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, military departments and other Department of Defense agencies in furtherance of special actions approved by the Secretary.

4. Maintain close liaison with the Director of Central Intelligence and other U.S. organizations on matters in his assigned field of responsibility.

The Assistant Secretary of Defense (International Security Affairs) will designate a senior official to collaborate with General Lansdale in the performance of his duties. The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff will designate officers of general or flag rank from the Joint Staff to provide military advice and support to General Lansdale in the performance of his duties.

The Secretaries of the military departments will make appropriate internal arrangements within their respective departments to cooperate with General Lansdale in the performance of his duties.

General Lansdale is hereby specifically delegated authority to:

1. Issue instructions and one-time directive-type memoranda, in writing, appropriate to carrying out policies approved by the Secretary of Defense for his assigned fields of responsibilities, in accordance with DOD Directive 5025.1.

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2. Obtain such reports and information (in accordance with the provisions of DOD Directive 7700.1 and 5158.1) and assistance from the Department of Defense Agencies as may be necessary to the performance of his assigned functions.

Signature authenticated by:

/s/ Perry A. Long
CWO-2 USA

/s/ Maxwell L. Gilpatrin
Deputy Secretary of Defense

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